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Schools Without Teachers
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has evaluated the schools running without teachers in the Country including in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;
(b) whether the Government has assessed its impact on children over the years and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the details of the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)
(a) to (c): No such assessment has been made. However, issues related to teacher recruitment, service conditions and teacher deployment in government schools are in the domain of State Governments and UT Administrations. Under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), the Central Government supports State Governments and UTs for additional teachers to maintain the Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR), as per the norms of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009. A total of 19.48 lakh teacher posts have been sanctioned under SSA, out of which 15.74 lakh teacher posts have been filled up as on 31st March, 2016.
The average PTR for government primary schools in the country is 29:1 and that for Government Upper primary schools is 26:1, as per Unified District Information System of Education (UDISE) 2014-15. Details of government schools functioning without teachers in States and UTs including Madhya Pradesh, are at Annexure.
The Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) scheme provides for appointment of 1 Head Teacher and 5 Teachers for every new/upgraded secondary school on regular basis. So far 121284 teachers including headmasters have been sanctioned for government secondary schools for upgraded/new schools and additional teachers for existing government secondary schools. Out of these sanctioned teachers, 76297 teachers have been recruited by the States/UTs. At Secondary level, there is no Government school without teachers.
Further, the Central Government in various meetings, State Education Secretaries conferences and Joint Review Missions advises States/UTs on timely teacher recruitment and deployment of teachers.
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